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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

-against- : 19-CR-862 (VEC)

DEESHUNTEE STEVENS, : <u>ORDER</u>

Defendant. : X

VALERIE CAPRONI, United States District Judge:

WHEREAS on November 10, 2020, the Court ordered Defendants in this matter to inform the Court whether they wished to waive their appearance and appear solely via counsel at the upcoming status conference, Dkt. 239;

WHEREAS on November 19, 2020, Mr. Stevens informed the Court that he would like to appear in person at the status conference, Dkt 257; and

WHEREAS a status conference in Mr. Stevens' case is scheduled for Thursday, December 17, 2020, at 10:00 A.M., Dkt. 266;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases in New York City, the Court prefers to hold the hearing by video conference using Skype video. The parties will be emailed a Skype video link separately. Any interested members of the public may listen to the proceeding remotely by dialing 1-917-933-2166 and using the conference ID number 808430145. All of those accessing the hearing are reminded that recording or rebroadcasting of the proceeding is prohibited by law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Stevens must either notify the Court that he does not consent to appearing by way of video or file a waiver of in person appearance by no later than **Monday, December 14, 2020**.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 7, 2020 New York, NY

> VALERIE CAPRONI United States District Judge